

KINOKO



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Asano Inio's  
"War and Me"

THIS IS MY FIRST ATTEMPT AT A MANGA BASED IN A HISTORICAL WORLD, THE MAIN SUBJECT OF IT IS WAR, BUT THE SETTING AND CHARACTERS WITHIN ARE ONLY SHOWING ME MYSELF AND MY IDEAS. SO I HOPE PEOPLE'S REACTIONS WILL FALL IN THE BEST





IT'S A SHORT MISSION AND I'LL BE BACK IN THREE MONTHS, BUT IT MEANS I HAVE TO PUT OFF GRADUATION THIS YEAR.

OH WELL, SUCH IS MY DUTY AS A CITIZEN.

I'LL HAVE YOU KNOW THAT I JUST GOT THE WORD FROM THE ARMY THAT I'LL BE HEADING OUT WITH THE 9th DIVISION.

OUR MISSION IS TO SET UP A SUPPLY BASE IN THE DEMILITARIZED ZONE IN COOPERATION WITH THE AR ARMY.



ARE YOU REALLY SATISFIED WITH SUCH A CRAP CAMERA?

HOW ABOUT JOBBING UP YOURSELF?

WHEN I LOOK AT IT THAT WAY, IT'S NOT A BAD DEAL.

I'LL BE REWARDED WELL, THANKS TO THE ARMY'S RESOURCES.



HAVE JOURNALISTS ARE ARE LAP-DOGS OF THE FASCISTIC GOVERNMENT WHO SPEW GARBAGE TO THE MASSES!

PERFECT FOR COWARD LIKE YOU!

IF YOU WANT FAME, QUIT THE NONPOLITICAL BALLLOT AND GIVE YOURSELF TO YOUR COUNTRY!

LET'S GO!

I ALREADY HAVE A JOB OFFER FROM A DOCUMENTARY PRODUCTION COMPANY, SO...



I KNOW

HE MAY BE A  
SENPAI TO US,  
BUT I'M SURE  
ONE DAY  
THERE WILL BE  
SOMEONE  
OVER HIM.

IT'S... IT'S  
NO BIG  
DEAL,  
REALLE

IT'S JUST  
THE USA  
WE'RE IN  
RIGHT  
NOW!



IT'S THOSE  
DAMN  
BARBARIC  
BAMBOOCHING  
NO TELLING  
WHAT THEY'LL  
DO

A MISSILE  
IS FLYING  
THIS WAY!!

IT  
CAN'T  
BE!!

THEY'RE  
MONSTERS  
WHO BLEED  
GREEN BLOOD  
WHEN YOU  
CUT THEM

SHOULDN'T  
WE TAKE THEM  
OUT BEFORE  
THEY HAVE THE  
CHANCE TO  
GET US??



A MISSILE  
HUP!

KINDA  
SCARY

IT'S  
PROBABLY  
JUST  
A FAKE  
EXPLOSION

LET THEM  
FLURR AROUND  
HOWEVER  
THEY WANT.  
DAMN  
SHEEP



I DON'T  
WANT TO SEE  
ANYMORE  
DEGRADATION  
OF THE  
SANCTITY  
OF LIFE

I WILL  
NEVER  
ACCEPT  
PEOPLE  
KILLING  
OTHER  
PEOPLE

IF ALL  
IT TOOK WAS  
MY DEATH AND  
EVERYONE  
COULD LIVE  
HAPPILY  
I'D TAKE THAT  
DEAL IN A  
HEARTBEAT...



I'D BE  
FINE IF  
THEY AIMED  
AND SHOT  
THEM ALL  
AT ME...

WHO'S  
SCARED  
OF A  
MISSILE?







YOU  
DON'T  
GET IT,  
DO YOU?

PLEASE!

IT'S  
ALREADY  
TWO  
HOURS PAST  
WHEN WE  
WERE  
SUPPOSED  
TO START!

WE'RE NOT  
DELAYING  
YOUR SHOW  
IT'S  
CANCELLED!

GATHER  
YOUR THINGS  
AND GET  
OUT OF  
HERE!



WOM!

STUPID  
STUBBORN  
MILITARY  
TYPE!

ENOUGH!

ALL OF YOU  
LEAVE AND  
HURRY BACK  
TO THE  
TEXTILE  
FACTORY!



BUT  
WE ALL  
SPENT  
SO MUCH  
TIME  
PRACTISING!

WHAT'S  
SO BAD  
ABOUT  
CHOSEN?



YOU'RE  
LIKELY USING  
YOUR CHOICE  
AS A  
FRONT  
FOR AN  
ANTI-WAR  
ASSEMBLY.

THE ARMY  
CANNOT  
ALLOW ANY  
IDEOLOGICAL  
ASTROLOGY!

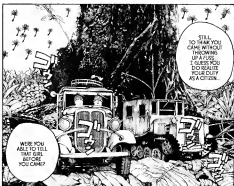




SORRY

THIS ISN'T  
A FIELD RIP.  
YOU KNOW?  
TAKE A LOOK  
AT REALITY.  
WILL YOU?

SENDING  
A TEXT  
AT THIS  
POINT.



WERE YOU  
ABLE TO TELL  
THAT GIRL  
BEFORE  
YOU CAME?

STILL  
TO THINK YOU  
CAME WITHOUT  
THROWING  
UP A FUSS.  
I GUESS YOU  
DID REALIZE  
YOUR DUTY  
AS A CITIZEN.



HOW  
COULD  
IT?

I DON'T  
WANT TO  
HAVE TO  
SEE HER  
SAD FACE

WHY DON'T  
I THINK THAT?

LOOKS  
LIKE A  
CUT OF  
SEASON  
DAND-  
BLON













REPORT  
FROM HQ!  
THE  
BAMBOO VILL  
ARMY  
LAUNCHED  
SEVERAL  
MISSILES AT  
THE OLD CITY  
DISTRICT!!



COMM-  
ANDER!!



FURTHERMORE,  
THE EASTERN  
WOMEN'S  
STUDENT UNION  
WAS HOLDING  
AN ANTI-WAR  
RALLY IN THE  
CATHEDRAL...

AND THE  
STATUS  
OF THE  
STUDENTS  
INSIDE IS  
LOOKING  
GRIM







MICKEY,  
WHAT IS  
THAT MAN  
SAYING?

People were Awakened! Time  
for us to all go on tour  
Gonna go home  
Oh! Oh! I never see Joe!  
Don't know you and others  
dwell with. Still going to be  
waiting ...!

Ze President Brutal  
Stryker poblyc shurnat  
onf paruyodim VoeYud  
mgar pedecrate ar tatha  
fagho baring pripe on  
as I nasse bee syobre-  
not ig tady wannud!

FLAMING—

AREN'T  
SUPPOSED  
TO BE SUCH  
GROSS  
CULTURES.

YOU'RE  
NOT LIKE  
THAT,  
ARE YOU?







WELL,  
YOU  
KNOW...



IF YOU'RE  
WATCHING  
THIS,

THAT  
THAT  
MEANS  
I'M...

NO LONGER  
HOLDING ANY  
BELIEFS,  
SIMPLY  
PLAYING  
THE GAME,

ONE OF  
THE BIGGEST,  
PUREST  
MINDS OF  
THEM  
ALL...



BACK  
WHEN THE WORLD  
WAS STILL AT  
PEACE, I USED TO  
THINK EVERY  
ONE KNEW THAT A WAR  
OR SOMETHING  
SHOULD JUST  
HAPPEN.

BUT NOW,  
I'M SOMEONE  
WHO LOOKS  
AT THE WORLD  
FROM THE  
SIDELINES  
AND WATCHES  
INDIFFERENTLY  
WITH  
SCORN...

TO  
THAT MAN,  
TURNING  
MY BACK ON  
EVERYTHING.

I ENDED  
UP LOOKING  
MYSELF AT  
SOME  
POINT...



I DO  
NOT CARE  
FOR THIS  
COUNTRY,  
THIS CITY,  
OR THE PEOPLE  
WHO LIVE  
HERE...



SECONDS  
WHERE  
THINGS  
PRACTICALLY  
CHANGE

HELP ME  
FEEL THE  
PAST  
AND THE  
FUTURE...



BUT  
YOU  
KNOW,

YOU MIGHT  
NOTICE IT, BUT I  
THINK LOVE  
WAITED...

IT WILL HELP  
TO SERVE AS  
MOROSHIWANT  
TO SOMETHING  
NEW COMING  
TO LIFE...



THERE'S  
HOPE  
IN IT

THAT EVEN  
IF MY LIFE  
ENDS AND  
MY BODY  
DECOMPOSES...

CL

A 2-YEAR  
CONTRACT  
HUNT

THAT  
SEEMS  
LIKE A  
LONG  
TIME...







The title is a reference to the  
"Mushroom vs. Bamboo Shoot "War",  
which began in the late 1970s.

Mushroom refers to  
Kinoko no Yama [Mushroom Mountain],  
a snack released by  
the Meiji Corporation in 1975.

The release of  
Takenoko no sato [Bamboo Shoot Village]  
by the same company in 1979 was  
the spark that  
started the war.

Due to the similarities between  
the products, (same maker, similar naming  
theme, similar flavors),  
yet slight differences,  
people began to favor one or the other  
and rail against the opposite product.

